# FROM THE FARTHER WEST

Story of Border Ruffians Who Terrorized New Mexico.

Many Mysterious Disappearances Laid to Their Doors\_Famous Saloon in Las Vegas\_How the Gang Was Broken Up.

Just prior to his departure for Washington to look after Judicial appointments Governor Otero signed an order commuting the sectence of Jose Chavez y Chavez, the Las Vegas murderer, to life imprisonment. An official announcement, for some cause or other, was not made public until now, says a Santa Fe correspondent of the Denver Post. The fact that the governor refused to consult the trial judge in the case causes much comment, although on the other hand three of the supreme court justices who decided against the accused joined in the oppeal for executive elemency. That Chavez is a notor, tous criminal is not denied. As a member of Billy the Kid's gang years ago he is charged with the most brutal crimes and he was the grincipal in the murder of young Romero at Las Vegas five years ago, acting under directions from the Silva gang of outlaws.

The case came before the executive purely

upon technical questions of law.

Jose Chavez is the last of the most ruthless and desperate band of marauders and bandits that northern New Mexico has had in a generation. The mills of justice have been grinding very slowly in the territory in the last few years and they have not ground so exceedingly fine after all-at least in the cases of these convicted and thoroughly bad men. Out of seventeen men more of less directly connected with eight known murders and robberies and auspected of as many more essessinations and dozens of burglaries and thieverica, but three have been hanged, four act to service life sentences in the New Mexican cenitentiary, four pardoned and permitted to walk the streets of Los Vegas to-day as free men and four set to serving sen-

tences of five and ten years, while two have EIGHTEEN IN THE SECRET.

For four years Vicente Silva and his seventeen secret followers held the people in northern New Mexico and southern Colorado in terror for their lives and property and much of that time no one outside of the gang itself had an idea of the identity of the men who were stealing and killing their cattle, rob-bing their storchouses of wool, burglarizing stores and postoffices and occasionally as-sussinating a man on a ranch remote from any community. The fearful dread that the Silva gang created in that region is still manifest. The significant shrug of the shoulders by the sheep and cuttle herders at a casual mention of Silva's came, the anxiety of settlers in desolate mountain places for assurance that the last remnant of the Silva gang had been punished, and the brightened interest that little children have in all tales about the doings of Silva and his followers show what dread the people who live among the Raton mountains, remote from towns and from any association with human beings, have held for the band of outlaws now broken up and brought to justice.

Vicente Silva was a saloon keeper in Las bor of the Navajo Indiana, and as a youth he saw repeated wanton shedding of human blood and knew all about robberies and raphe. It is natural, then, that he was an outlaw at 20. He went with a dozen other Araginary of the first of the former wood is preserved and hard as the finest agate. Every cell and hard as the finest agate of the country days in which to try a player before accepting him.

There was agreed to make a salary limit of again to make a salary limit of another the section of the roots are found there, converted into stone as dense and hard as the finest agate. Every cell and hard as the finest agate. Every cell and hard as the finest agate. At this meeting \$2.00 a month for a team, In case the manager is a player these figures may be increased to \$2.25. It was decided to petition the National league not to adopt the proposed amendation as the finest agate. Every cell and hard as the finest agate. Every cell and hard as the finest agate. Every cell and hard as the finest agate. There was some discussion as to the draft. There was some discussion as to the draft ing of players by the National league in the interest of a minor league which has not the autacrity to draft, but no was taken. Vegas. He was born in San Barnalillo county, New Mexico, in 1845, was tall and What took place was never fully known Vegas, worn out and ragged, after weeks of horseback travel, and a mouth later the news followed after them that an American farmer in southern Wyoming, near Chey-eune, had found the decomposed remains of a man, who resembled Felipe Aguilar, be neath a straw stack. The head was nearly cut off and there were mortal cuts through the chest. No one ever doubted that Felipe had come upon Silva and the cloping wife, and that the bushand had been stabled to deeth and his body concealed in the straw

SILVA'S LAS VEGAS SALOON.

In 1883 Silva opened a saloca in Las Vegas. The cattle and sheep herders and silver miners made money fast those days. and his place became the most frequented in San Miguel county. There was always crowd of cowboys, sheepherders and wool ond cattle buyers at Silva's, and the old-timers say that some of the most exciting noments they have ever known in the ter-ritories were those in Vicente Silva's saloon of an evening, when the Mexicans from the ranges had become drunk and ugly. The cattle and wool business rapidly declined in 1887 and 1888, and custom at Sliva's bar fell away fast. Hard times and an extrivagant taste quickly bred in Silva the old-lime taste for outlawry as an easy means of livelihood, and while he laughed and joked with paircas at the bar and gave catentationaly and generously to charity, h was secretly and at night organizing the most thorough band of marauders yet known in that region. Long association with the half-breed ledkins of San Miguel, Santa Fe and San Barnalillo countles made him famil'ar with the men most sultable for an organization for robbery and plunder, and made few errors in his choice of fol-

The meeting place was the Silva saloonat sight after the lights had been put out and the business closed. No band of Molly Maguires were ever bound by such secrecy and caths as were the seventsen men who joined the Silva gang. Robbery of cattle, horses and sheep from the numerous lonely ranches in northern New Mexico and southern Colorado, with an occasional burglary, and a murder, if it became necessary in the course of operations, was the purpose of the bind. Silva bought for a mere seeig a ranch thirty-two miles from Las Veges (clear San Pedro), among the Raton mountains as the base of operations for his secret hand of robbers. A more isolated and uninviting spot could hardly have been found in all that region. Scarcely a dozen people went that way in the course of a year. The route there twisted among towering cliffs and pinnacles of granite. Patricio Maes and Manuel Maioxiado were appointed to look after the reach and to tell all inquirers that

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCES. "I believe some seven people," said a merchant at Las Vegas the other day, while recounting the terror that the Silva gang created in that region, "disappeared mysteriously here in Las Vegas from 1888 to 1892. The sheriff of this county had reports almost weekly in that portion of robberies of cattle and horses, and burglaries of ranch deputies were ceaselessly vigilant. There was not a clew to be had to the offenders, search as hard as they could. Silva himself joined an organization and contributed money toward detecting the robbers, and for finding what had become of the men who had etronsely disappeared."

At last the secret of the crimes came out, lefugio Esquibel, the wealthlest ranchman Refugio Esquibel, the westitiest ranchman twenty-four hours, when she was accidentally discovered.

Events moved swiftly with the Silva gang

SILVA AND HIS OUTLAW CANG | brother, Gabriel Sandoval, were giving intormatter to the sheriff and the secret organization of citizens that were slowly uncoverfrom railroad communication. ing the crimes of his band, he planned their deaths. The plans were finished by January 23, 1893, and on the evening of that day Silva and Guadalupe Cabrellero rode stealth-

ily into Las Vegas. Two policemen in the town, Jallan Trugelio and Jose Chavez Chavez, who had been partially in leagwith the robbers and murderers from the first, were sought out. They agreed to g with Silva to his own adobe home and t stand guard at the door while Silva and Cabrollero went inside to deliberately stab Mrs. Silva and her brother to death. Jose Chavez # Chavez was sent ahead to spy out the situation at the Silva home before Silva and Cabrellero went there. Chavez came back and reported that Mrs. Silva had company, and that he had reconsidered and would not be a party to killing a woman who had been a friend to him. Then the plan was altered to kill young Sandoval, anyhow, and for Silva to force his wife to flee with him to his mountain refuge. That plan suited Policeman Chavez. Trugelio was sent to tell Sandoval that he was wanted at the home of a sick friend in another part of Las Vegas. The young man responded to the call. Just as he was hurriedly pass-ing along a narrow, dark street lined with one-story adobe houses, Silva leaped from a dark retreat and stabbed bim. Sandoval ut-

carried the body to a cesspool near by, where it was thrown among the filth. An hour later Silva went alone to his wife and by cajolery and protestations of his love plant will be in operation in five months induced her to set out at once for the mountains. What took place as the bandit husband and wife traveled on their horses along the trail up the Raton mountains that winter night will never be known, except that when Disysteh.
Silva appeared to his half-dozen marauding Gold pl.

squealing down in Las Vegas."

The sheriffs of Santa Fe and San Miguel will be employed. the Silva gang. There were warrants for six more, but before they could be served death, and it has since been supposed they were killed because they knew too much 5,000 acres. about the murders and robberles of the Silva gang in the early days.

ARIZONA'S PETRIFIED FOREST.

May Be Made a National Preserve to

Prevent Its Destruction. Land Commissioner Hermann is now at work on a special report to the secretary of the interior, recommending that a forest reserve be made out of the petrified forest of Arizona. Recent reports received by the Interior department about the condition of his forest, says a Washington special, Indiate that it is rapidly being used up for ommercial ourposes, and, unless the governnent steps in to stop the despoilment, the whole forest, which is one of the greatest natural curiosities in the world, will dis-ippear. There is now building in Denver a otel, all the walls of which are to be faced with the silicified wood taken from the forest, and all the tables for the hotel are also to be made of it. At this rate of con-sumption it would not be long before all the etrified wood would be used up. Commissioner Hermonn thinks that there is im-nediate necessity for action on the part of the dopartment. In his opinion the best way in which the forest can be preserved is

washed away, but the enduring fossils of the trees remained.

Tens upon tens of specimens have been taken away by collectors and dealers. A company has been formed in Scuth Dakota or cutting and polishing the stone for archi-ectural and decorative work. Sections of these trees, four feet in diameter and large enough for the tops of tables, have been cut and polished. Many specimens were shown at the Paris exposition, where they were greatly admired for the perfect preservation every detail of structure of the wood, for the very high polish end for the exmisite interblending of colors in the mass, ine to the presence of various oxides in the riginal eilicitying solutions. No other counto the lapidary such magnificent raw material of this nature as the petrified forests of Arizona afford. Not even the imperial works at Eleatorinbourg, in Russia, with their wealth of kalkansto jasper, massive malachite and other superb orgamental stones, can rival the boauty of the agatized

wood of Arizona. Commissioner Hermann is confident that secretary Bliss will agree with him, when the facts are brought to his attention, of the wisdom of making some provision to protect this wonderful curiosity from despoilment.

Serious Cutting Affray.

BUFFALO, Wyo., Jan. 24.- (Special.)-A serious cutting affray took place here Sunday evening. Henry Johnson, cook at the Occidental hotel, and George Thomas, known as "Tax," quarreled over a trifling matter and come to blows. Both men finally drew knives and fought flercely until separated by outsiders. "Tex" was cut in the hand, but is not seriously hurt. Johnson was subbed through the arm, the brachial artery being out. He lost a great deal of blood and is very weak. "Tex" is being held in jail to await the result of his opportent's wound. which it is feared will prove fatal.

Lockhart Goes to Washington. PIERRE, S. D., Jan. 24.- (Special Teletram.)-Land Commissioner Lockhart has gone to Washington to look after a number of state filings on land selections which are not being acted upon by the department as rapidly as desired.

Big Fees for Filing.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Jan. 24 .- (Special Telgram.)-The reorganized Union Pacific Railroad company filed its articles of incorporation yesterday. The capitalization is \$136,-000,000. The fees for filing were \$6,805.

Gored to Death. MILLER, S. D., Jan. 24 .- (Special Telegram.)-A prominent farmer named Schmidt, living north of here, was gored to death by a

The undivided portion of the estate of Andrew Davis is appraised at \$228,000. Butte prisoners are released if they prom ise to start immediately for the Klondike. The supreme court has held that the erty of a national bank, other than the cap-

It is entirely within the range of possibilities that the present year will witness the construction of a railroad through Fergus country.

Samuel Martin, a Butte miner, placed handcuffs upon his wife, with her hands behind her, and left her in this cituation for

The Judith mountains are likely to take Events moved swiftly with the Silva gang position as one of Montana's leading mining districts this year. Gold, silver and picions concerning his guilt floating among the people in Las Vegas. He fled on Octo-

Preparations are being made at Kipp for expected rush when the nearby is thrown open to settlement. The

omes there will be large. Two of the Johnson brothers, who wer cently examined at Helena for anity and all three sent back to Augusta and are being watched by their neighbors The tailors of Montana will have to pay

usiness transacted, the same as other mer chants, the supreme court having decided that the knights of the goose are not man-

Wyoming News Nates.

It is estimated that there are not less than 600 wolves in the Big Horn basin and destruction of stock is consequently quite com-

A. B. Allayn of Providence, R. L. and horns of western animals for taxidermy The Corper refinery is now putting an

special value on oil that is above fire test, thus excelling all other value oils in commercial use. The Wagner mining district has been or-

tered a shriek and Jose Chavez y Chavez pounded the youth upon the head with a revolver until the skull was fractured. All the party fied but Silva and Cabrellero, who H. Magee of Rawlins will put in an electric plant at Casper. The plant will have 759 lights, fifteen of which will be arc. The

> The democrats of Big Horn county have ught out the Basin City Herald and inballed County Clerk Hunt as temporary edior. The name will be changed to Wyoming

Gold placer development in Albany county followers the next day he said he had fin-ished the job and there would be no more glavel ore is extensive, while the latest washing machinery and gold saving methods

counties were in possession of sufficient facts The Last Chance Irrigation Canal comby March, 1893, to arrest twelve members of pany is engaged in the construction of a This canal connects rigation system. the men had fied. The bodies of Francisco through the medium of Rapid creek, waters Saveno and Ramon Alvarado were found in of Big and Little Goose creeks, the canal April, 1893, on the road from Las Vegas to itself issuing from the foot of Little Goose Raton. Both had been shot and stabbed to creek canyon and covering approximately

MINOR LEAGUE MEN IN SESSION.

Drufting Question to Come in for Considerable Attention. BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 24,-Among the tembers of the Eastern and Western Base fall leagues here to attend a meeting of he delegates of the two associations toda, are President Powers, President Draper of he Providence club, Bogart of Wilkesbarre and Kuntsch of the Eastern league. Fresident Johnson, Charles Comisky of St. Paul and Vanderneck of Detroit. In addition to the drafting system as suggested by the National league, the questions of playing a series of interleague campionship games and the drafting of players from the West-rn league by National league clubs for the Western league or vice versa, will be con-dered,

President Draper of Providence says that while the two minor leagues cannot draft each other's players, it is possible for the National league to draft a player from one league and transfer him to the other. He says it is his belief that the Washington club and drafted Catcher Dixon of his club for a Western league club, either Detroit or Minneapolis.

Shortly after 4 o'clock the conference between the Eastern and Western league delegates was called to order. At this meeting it was agreed to make a salary limit of \$2,000 a month for a team. In case the manager is a player these figures may be

At the conclusion of the joint meeting another meeting of the Eastern league executives was held. As the managers of the Wilkesbarre club showed conclusively that it was financially able to maintain its position in the league it was decided to continue as an elgat-club league, with Springfield, Providence, Wilkesbarre, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffale, Toronto and Montreal

The Eastern league delegates this after-mon ratified the transfer of the Scranton fratchise to Rechester.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 24.—A drizzling ain fell during the greater part of the afternoon and softened the stiff, heavy

track, Results:
First race, selling, six and one-half fur-longs: Eton Jacket won, Albert S second, Belle of Fordham third, Time: 1:265, Second race, selling, six furlongs: Wig-glas wor Dinsmore second, Wilson third, Time: 1:20 Time: 1:20. Time: 120, Third race, selling, one and one-sixteenth mile: Lake View Palace won, Hasquil second, Anger third, Time: 1:56, Fourth race, handleap, one mile: Balk Ane won, Pete Kitchen second, Swordsman ine won, Pete Kitchen second, Swordsman hird, Time: 1:48ts Fifth race, six furlongs; Aunt Maggle on, Lida Stuart second, Dr. O'Brien third, ime: 1:2142, Sixth race, selling, six furlongs: Jollyson me: 1:20½. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 24.—Weather ear, track fast at Ingleside today. Re-

First race, purse, seven furlongs: Dr. First race, purse, seven furlonge: Dr. Marks won, Glorian second, Go to Bed third. Time: 1:284. Second race, selling, six furlangs: O'Connell won, Zamar II second. Callente third. Time: 1:144. Taird race, allowances, one and one-sighth mile: The Roman won, 'Ostlor Joy second. Satsuma third. Time: 1:574. Fourth race, the Baibon Boulevard atakes, one mile: Count of Flunders won Movelors mile: Count of Flunders won Movelors.

one mile: Count of Flanders won, Mozel-lito second, Mistleton third, Time: 1421, Fifth race, selling, one mile: Hazard won, George Lee second, Benamela third, Time: 14214. Fixth race, selling, one and one-eighth

miles: Cromwell won, Can't Dance second, Rufalba third, Time: 1.55%. Start on Seventy-Tws-Hour Race. PITTSBURG, Jan. 24.—The seventy-two-nour bicycle race began at noon today with

weive starters. The scare at 1 p. m. was: 'Wally'' Miller, Henshaw, Elkes, Dench, schinneer, nineteen miles seven laps each, Jannon, nineteen miles five laps; Hall, Ruckel, Walters and Repine, nineteen miles Ruckel, Walters and Repine, nineteen miles six laps; Stewart, nineteen miles two laps. The score at midnight was: Walter, 229 miles 4 laps; Henshaw, 197.7; Elkes, 220.2; Dench, 184.5; Cannon, 188.4; Stewart, 41.10; Miller, 124.1; Scainneer, 219; Hall, 215.19; Ruckel, 187.7; Walters, 213.3; Repine, 85. Stewart, the colored man, is the only rider who dropped out today. He claimed to be sick, There was quite an ugly spill this afterneon on the track when Elkes took a header, and the other riders piled on top of him.

In a collision late lonight between Walters and Henssaw the latter was rendered un-onscious and will probably be out of the ace. Repine also retired tonight. the, Repine also retired tonight, At 1 o'clock the score was as follows: 'aller, 238 miles 5 laps; Henshaw, 1977; ikes, 238.2; Dench, 294.5; Gannan, 206.4; towart, 44.40; Miller, 18.4; Schinner, 237; all, 233.10; Ruckel, 185.6; Walters, 231.2;

Western Association All Right. ST. JOSEPH. Jan. 24.—Reports that the Western Association of Base Ball Clubs is shaky condition have prompted Presient T. J. Hickey of St. Joseph to give out he following statement to the Associated

Press:
"The affairs of the Western association are in first-class shape. There are one or two towns that are still in doubt, but there are more towns clamoring for membership than ever before in the association's history, so that in the event that one of the prisent members drops out we will have no trouble in filling the gap with just as good a town. The season will open with the association stronger than ever."

### CUBA AFFECTS/THE MARKET

Buyers Waiting for the House Vote on Belligerancy.

TELLER RESOLUTION IS ALSO DEPRESSING

Notwithstanding These Factors There is a General Expectation of an Increased Spring Business

Clews & Co., writes of the situation on Wall street:

During the earlier part of the last week there was considerable realizing of profits on the Stock exchange, with some consequent fall in prices, the introduction of the Cuban question into the house of representatives and the stir raised by the Teller state making a collection of the heads market showed some improvement; but it and illinois operators on the methods emseems likely that there may be some reservation of buying until a vote is reached change. All the good factors connected proper time. If miners of a certain district with the railroads continue and the prospects of a year of extraordinary freight of a return to normal manuacturers' profits and therefore is viewed as wholesome in its litimate effects. Sill, at the moment, there is no really new buil factor calculated to give any important stimulus to buying, and the market is therefore neutral and waiting for 'something to turn up.'

The January reinvestment demand has contered so largely upon railroad bonds that hose investments have risen to virtually imapproachable prices, with the convergade of mortgages and causing more departed of mortgages and causing more defined of first-class dividend-paying stocks. The operators, who had likewise been in passed at a conference of Ohio, Indiana and standard between Pennsylvania and Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, the main feature of which was approved by the convention and a recess was taken.

At the afternoon session, which was delighed until 4 o'clock awaiting the result of the miners' meeting, the motion pending that any advance granted should take effect. The operators, who had likewise been in passed at a conference of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, operators, established a double standard between Pennsylvania and Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, the main feature of which was a one and one-cuarter inch screen.

hese effects of the investment demand are not yet worked out their results upon the speculative securities, but remain as an adiscounted factor to aid in some new inhination of circumstances helpful to an oward movement in the stock market. Our current relations with the foreign instance centers present features of unsual interest. I have recently called almition to the cessation of the return of our vestments from Europe, which reached right dimensions during the last half of St. Now, this current seems to have ken the opposite direction. During last seek, probably not less than 50,000 shares stock were sent to London. Amsterdam all Berlin; and within the last week some attering buying orders have been received hile there has been no evidence of any sold the there has been no evidence of any lost that we with easier that the leading countries to the recurribles; but the leading countries to the securibles; but the leading countries the products, the exchanges two been turned against them to an imparant extent, and the controlling banking treasis have here and subjections to the controlling banking treasis have not only discouraged the

sking of investments abroad, but also cambined realizing upon such assets. This condition at the European center is apparently not yet reached its culmitton. With respect to this country it has suited in the postpraement of a very intrant amount of financial settlements that in one way or another there may red balances owing to the United State gregating not less, but possibly more greature an \$40,00,000-a state of things are an \$40,000,000-a state of things are accedented (except ofter last year) in our anneal history. It has been supposed that ich extraordinary conditions would soo bree their own rendjustments: but, a resent, there is no evidence of any shat cent of the abnormal conditions. Out the outrary, our December exports exhed our imports by \$76,000.00, which, after lowing for other net adverse froms in a exchanges, means an increase in our fedgm creditor account of about \$90.00, the settlement for which will may be active within the next sixty days. The eign creditor account of about 200,000; the settlement for which will mark mostly within the next sixty days. The I cility with which our foreign debtors ha found it possible to p stpone payment these obligations is producing a fletition case in the foreign maney markets, an should that tendency go a fittle farther, a qualization of the rate of interest her and abroad will bentralize the inducement which has made home lenders willing these still buying up bills of exchange in tead of sending them to the points of coluction in the usual course, and the amount such bills now held here is probably of tess than \$30,00,000, and it is this fact hich mainly explains why gold has not sen coming here from Europe in large nounts. This is a very interesting situation, yet not without some rather serious neem for Europe, For should the equalition of the home and transatiantically markets stop our continuation of the foreign advances, the result might slip be a rush of gold upon New York in ry important amounts. At the same time relations between England and the powageressing upon China are such as y possibly produce serious disturbances. e relations between England and the pow-aggressing upon China are such as y possibly produce serious disturbances the foreign financial markets. The only stor in this sensitive situation which can considered hopeful for European finance that, six weeks to two manths bence, r imports will be at their highest and our ports at the lowest; but it is a question either the existing extraordinary balance our favor may not more than suffice to set the adverse balance which usually ure in the spring months and bring gold her at a time when we are usually exat a time when we are usually ex

be a mitted that the conductive to a foreign ferred to are far from conductive to a foreign demand for them until these arregularities have been straightened out. And yet the amount of bonds returned has already been so large that it is hardly supposable that any further important reflux will occur. The test vote in the senate on the Teller resolution in liable to be exaggirated as to its significance, by the foreign press, and therefore may be attended with some tem-porary adverse effect upon our credit abroad

Grain and Floor Exports.

No one can gainsay the fact that the cast and west lines are doing some thinking about the movement of grain for export from southern instead of from eastern parts Statistics prepared in Chicago last week show the increase in the grain shipments from southern points, and again call attention to the large volume of business traffic enjoyed by the north and south lines because of the failure of the east and west lines to equalize the grain rates.
The following statement shows the corn.

CORN (BUSHELS). WHEAT (BUSHELS),

wheat and flour experted from the principal American ports for the years 1895 and 1897:

New Orleans ...... 3,813,237 268,154 

DEFEAT MINE RUN PROPOSITION.

Convention of Miners and Operators Refuses to Consider Former Vote. CHICAGO, Jan. 24 - At today's session of the interstate bituminous coal operators and niners the reconsideration of the vote which defeated the mine run proposition last week was taken up. After a short discussion the roll of states was called and the proposition was again defeated-ayes 28; nays 8. The operators of Indiana and Ohio voted in the negative. The question of when an NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Henry
Clews, head of the banking house of Henry

The deather in equivalent of system should be inaugurated was raised by the fediana operators. They asserted that certain districts of Illinois are working under a contract until May 1 and were now practically holding up the convention in an effort to force the operators of other states upon a mine run basis or a strike. If they would not recede from this position the other states might as well leave the convention now as any other time. If the Illinois delegates would agree to a double standard a settle-

ment could easily be made.

A motion was made by the Ohio miners resolution having helped this tendency, but whatever advance was granted should buring the later days, however, these influences lost much of their force and the another lengthy discussion between the Ohio another lengthy discussion between the Ohio another lengthy discussion between the Ohio

ployed in disposing of their output. President Ratchford declared that it was out of the question to reach a settlement based on May I prices. The miners had too on the house proposal to recognize the bel-ligeroncy of the Cubans. In the general situation of the stock market there is little that date. The first of the year was the pects of a year of extraordinary freight castly be arranged. He again suggested business receive confirmation from current the double standard plan to take effect Janexperience. The aspecia of domestic trade uary 16 as the best way of satisfying all regarded as the chief condition needful of return to normal manuacturers profits and the chief condition needful of the chie meet their approval. The miners would also meet with the same object in view.

Indiana and Illinois, the main feature of which was a one and one-quarter inch screen for the Pittsburg-Onio district as a basis for be decided upon by the miners and operators

of each state.
President Ratchford declared that miners wanted uniformity and that if the operators had nothing better to offer it was time the convention came to a close. came here." he concluded, "to give nothing away, but to demand better prices and better conditions." He moved the provious ques-tion, thus cutting off further debate. The resolution was then lost, the miners voting nay, President Ratchford was then cilled mon for the report of the miners' mo He replied that the miners simply reaffirmed their demands for the mine run system.

The miners were called upon to effer their scale. President Ratchford replied by read ing the following: "The miners demand I for 10 cents advance on screened and a rela-tive price for run of mine." He then offered

the following:

Resolved, That we favor the mining of screened and unscreened coal in all the competitive districts for the coming year, except Illinois, and that the mining prices be adjusted by this convenient giving all districts in the competing districts fair competing prices. As this resolution was about to be put Operator Robbins got the floor and remarked that as the atmosphere seemed to be some what clearer he moved that the whole matter se referred back to the scale committee will instructions to report tomorrow morning. This motion was carried unanimously, and

STRIKE CONDITIONS ENCHANGED.

the convention adjourned until tomorrow

Tradesmen Auxious to See a Settlement. BOSTON, Jan. 24.-The second week of the big cotton mill strike opened at the principal centers with both sides apparently as determined to hold out as at the inauguration of the contest. No attempt was made to open the gates of the big cor-porations mills at New Bedford, Bildeford or Lewiston. At New Bedford and Bidde-ford the business men appear to be more anxious regarding the future than either mill owners or operatives and many small dealers are feeling the loss of trade severely. Many operatives are leaving to seek employ ment in other milling centers.

COMMITTEE GOES TO COLUMBUS.

Witnesses at Cincinnati Refuse to Be Sworn or to Testify. CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 24 - The legislative ommittee tonight closed its investigation in his city of the Ot's charges of bribery in the ecent election of United States senator, The create committee will continue its work at folumbus. Thirty witnesses have been examined here since last Friday, most of them being employes of the Gibson house, of tele graph and telephone companies, and of the Union Savings and Trust company. Jared P. Bliss, Allen O. Meyers, sr., end E. H. Arch were the principal other whoeses. The returned to Columbus tonight with the came I the house committee also returned

As the evidence of Representative John Citia and of Colonel Thomas C. Carrebell

When H. H. Hellenbeck was en route from good of the cause.

Calumbus to Cincinnati January 7, he resisted a dispatch signed "H. D.," and the publican executive committee, was called, committee asked Mr. Daugherty if he sent but refused to be sworn, and he assorted that dispatch. Mr. Daugherty declined to the committee had no jurisdiction in the cause. Columbus to Cincinnati January 7, he received a dispatch signed "H. D.," and the publican executive committee was called, committee asked Mr. Daugherty if he sent that dispatch. Mr. Daugherty declined to inswer questions and continued to argue the question of jurisdiction till he was excused, subject to call for contempt.

When Manager Page of the Western Union and other messages, he said the company now had none of their messages as for back as January 19, and the did not know whether they fad been taken across the river to their.

Archey, on being recalled, testifed that respect that the committee had no jurisdiction.

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Senator Hanna were then stopping. His son, Allen O. Myers, jr., clerk at the Gibson house in Cincinnati, called him up that night and told of Hoyce's movements. The rest the Fish Congress is Engaged next day his son reached Columbus with copies of stenographic reports of Boyce's talks from Cincinnan over the telephone with the Hanna headquarters in Columbus. beck from Columbus to Cincinnati and back, spoke as follows:
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This fixes an impassable religious gulf between her and Aziel. Their passionate love seeks to surmount all barriers. Meantime Ithobal draws his huge army of savages around the fated city, and demanding Elissa in marriage, prepares to destroy it if he is refused. How Elissa violates her oath as high priestess and prepares to fly with Aziel; how they are both discovered and threatened with death by the priests of Baal; how, to save each other, she, by her right as the shigh priestess of Baal, names him her husband, while a # he renounces his faith and offers incense to Baal; how # Ithobal's horde of savages storms the walls of the city, and both Aziel and Elissa fall into his power; and how, at last, Aziel escapes with his life by Elissa's feigned submission to Ithoba', she, in turn, escaping Ithobal by killing herself, is all told in Mr. Haggard's most fascinating manner.

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railway commissioner, testified to following Henry D. Plant, the modern Carlstopher Co-C. Otts and of Colonel Thomas C. Carebell H. H. Hollsubcek from Colombias to Cinwill be very lengthy, they were not called
here, but Mr. Otts will likely be the next
witness at Columbias.

And the detectives at the deput. He said will remember you, kind friends by heart witness at Columbus.
At Columbus last week erveral witnesses refused to testify, because their attorneys advised them that a senate committee his conjurisdiction in towestigating charges made by a member of the house. The employed of President Schundlerp's Lank and Han. Harry M. Daugherty, chairman of the republican state central committee, today declined either to be sworn or to answer quotiens, because the committee had no jurisdiction.

When H. H. Hollenbeck was eq route from

once be begun to bring all of the unwilling witnesses before the bar of the senate for punishment for contempt.

Allen O. Meyers, sr., was the first witness today in the legislative brible cry investigation. He was at the Great Southern hetel in Columbus January 7, where Mr. Kurtz and others opposing Senator Hanna were then stopping.

CHINESE DELEGATE IS THANKFUL.

TAMPA, Pla., Jan. 24.—Immediately upon the assembling of the National Fisherica As the matter pertained to the republicans congress this morning Chairman Chency in-he turned all over to Kurtz and introduced troduced Chow Tazehi, the delegate from his son to him. Kurtz told Myers that Hol- China, and took occasion to express the coursess this morning Chairman Chency in lenbeck would go to Cincinnati with money. Pleasure of the congress over the presented Myers detailed the shadowing of Hellen of the distinguished visitor. Mr. Tsuch

lumbus. The testimony of Myers caused my government and also for honoring the quite a stir, especially when he became very government of China with an invitation to suggry on the cross-examination by Senator be represented at this important gathering ber 26 to a secret hiding place in the mountains near Los Alamos. He was ladieted for horse and cattle steading on November 7, 1892, and became a refugee from justice little count of the same and coal has been uniformed for the same and coal has been uniformed for the same for

ing Dr. Alexander Agase'z of the United States president, Mons, Petre of France for York, second vice president, and Hugh L. Smith, United States fish commissioner, secbill answered them, signing Hellenberk's retary and treasurer. An executive com-name to the messages sent to Major Dick. infittee of forty members, representing every country, was named. The place and time of the next meeting has not yet been de-

> Bunsaiel Paishes Its Events. ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 21. Part of the complet events were unfinished Saturday and play was resumed today, the

> corning games resulting as follows: Johnston trophy, second draw: Portage, Vells, skip 21; Wanpaca, Scott, skip 2; 81, aud. Arnold, skip 18; Cambris, McCall, kin, d. International trophy, Grat draw: failuth, inith, skip M. St. Paul, Cory, skip H.

Brittania is Again Sold. LONDON, Jan. 24.—John Lawson John-tone of Kingwood, Kent, has sold the race-ac cutter lightannia, formerly the property of the prince of Wales, to Ernest Terah Hooley, the millionaire speculator,

Just a Cold in the Head very often